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Consolidation Coal Company Mine #9 Manway and Fan Building
Frostburg
Private

c.1902-1934

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According to the 1909-1910 Annual Report of the Mine Inspector for Allegany and Garrett Counties, MD, Mine #9 was one of the best small vein coal mines in the region due to its clean, safe, and modern facilities.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Consolidation Coal Company Mine #9 Manway and Fan Building

AND/OR COMMON

Consolidation Coal Company Mine #9 Manway and Fan Building**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Hope Road, approximately 3/10 mile NE of Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany County**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☐ BUILDING(S)☒ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED☒ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☒ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland 21502**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

None

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☒ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The ruins of Consolidation Coal Company Mine #9 Manway and Fan Building are located on the east side of Hope Road just below the old Cumberland and Pennsylvania (C&P) Railroad road bed and just above the Western Maryland Railroad line.

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CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1902-1934

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Consolidation Coal Company Mine #9 Manway and Fan Building ruins are significant to the history of Maryland because they are good examples of early 20th century Georges Creek coal mine related material culture.

Mine #9 was opened in c. 1902 by the Consolidation Coal Company. Consolidation, organized in 1864, had its roots in the Georges Creek mining region. By the turn of the century, it was the largest bituminous coal company in the eastern United States.

According to the 1909-1910 Annual Report of the Mine Inspector for Allegany and Garrett Counties, MD, Mine #9 was one of the best small vein coal mines in the region due to its clean, safe, and modern facilities. Coal from #9 was used for coaling the Cumberland and Pennsylvania (C & P) Railroad engines.

The main operation and openings for Mine #9 were located on the east side of the C & P Railroad line, approximately 1 mile northeast of the manway and fan building. All that remains of the once extensive main operation are gob piles (mine tailings) and a collapsed mine opening.

The manway was designed to serve as an escape route for miners in the event that there was a mine collapse or other problem within the mine. The fan building and shaft contained a large fan, measuring approximately 15 feet in diameter. Powered at first by steam and later electricity, the fan provided air through the shaft to the miners within the mine recesses.

In September 1934, Mine #9 was mined out and closed.

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Engineering Department, 1925.
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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

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CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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1949; photorevised 1974

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Consolidation Coal Co. Mine #9

Allegany Co., MD

David A. Dorsey 12/80

Looking West



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Consolidation Coal Co. Mine #9

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Looking Southeast



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